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1. EMBASSY CRO MET WITH USOECD TO REVIEW MATTERS
RAISED REFTEL. MISSION AND CRO AGREED ON NEED FOR
IMMEDIATE ELECTRICAL ONE-WAY DELIVERY INSTALLATION AS
SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY.

2. MISSION AGAIN DRAWS ATTENTION TO OECD PARIS 29270
OF DECEMBER 6. AS RESULT OF PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS WE DID
NOT REPEAT NOT OPT FOR OR INSIST ON AUTONOMOUS STAND
ALONE COMMO CENTER IN USOECD. HOWEVER ELECTRICAL
DELIVERY ONE-WAY CIRCUIT PARIS EMBASSY TO OECD, WHILE
SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVING COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY WILL
NOT ENABLE MISSION TO ASSURE THE KIND OF SPEEDY COMMUN-
ICATIONS THAT THE PRINCIPALS IN THE DEPARTMENT WILL
INSIST UPON IN THE EVENT OF A CRISIS.

3. WE BELIEVE THAT OUR ABILITY TO ASSURE THE NECESSARY
SERVICE WOULD BE GREATLY ENHANCED IF (A) THE NECESSARY
WAIVERS ARE OBTAINED SO THAT MESSAGES FROM THE SECRE-
TARY AND OTHER PRINCIPALS IN ALL PRIVACY CHANNELS INCLUD-
ING NODIS CAN BE RECEIVED IN USOECD FOR IMMEDIATE DELIV-
ERY TO HEADS OF US DELEGATIONS TO MEETINGS IN OECD AND
IEA (A RECENT FLASH NODIS MESSAGE TO ENDERS TOOK 40
MINUTES TO BE DELIVERED HERE IN LOW-TRAFFIC WORKING
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HOURS. AS WE POINTED OUT GIVEN PARIS TRAFFIC CONDI-

TIONS THE DELAYS INVOLVED CAN BE WELL OVER AN HOUR.)
THERE HAVE BEEN SEVERAL FLASH CONFIDENTIAL NODIS
MESSAGES FROM THE SECRETARY TO ROBINSON AND FROM THE
SECRETARY TO ENDERS IN RECENT CRITICAL NEGOTIATIONS HERE.
CIRCUMSTANCES CANNOT GUARANTEE TIMELY DELIVERY OF THIS
KIND OF MESSAGE. (B) THE NECESSARY WAIVERS ARE
OBTAINED TO ENABLE US TO USE THIS RECEIVE ONLY SCAPABILITY
-- TELETYPE- - TO TRANSMIT A FLASH MESSAGE TO THE EMBASSY
FROM HEAD OF US DELEGATION TO A DEPARTMENT PRINCIPAL ON
THOSE RARE OCCASIONS WHEN GENUINE CRISIS EXISTS AND FOR
ONE REASON OR ANOTHER (E.G. TRAFFIC TIE UP IN PARIS)
WE CANNOT GUARANTEE SPEEDY PHYSICAL DELIVERY OF THE MESSAGE
TO THE EMBASSY CODE ROOM/ THIS LATTER REQUEST IS FOR A
SAFETY-NET TYPE WAIVER NOT TO BE UTILIZED IN MOST FORE-
SEEABLE CIRCUMSTANCES. WE ARE NOT REPEAT NOT TALKING
ABOUT NORMAL LENGTHY OECD REPORTING TELEGRAMS WITH
MULTIPLE ADDRESSEES.

4. CRO AND USOECD BOTH REQUEST TOP PRIORITY BE GIVEN
THIS PROJECT SO THAT INSTALLATION OF RECEIVE ONLY
CAPABILITY BE COMPLETED BEFORE MINISTERIAL MEETINGS AT
OECD IN WHICH THE SECRETARY WILL PARTICIPATE MAY 27 AND
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